

CHARLESTON AREA CHURCHES
FOOD PANTRY NEWSLETTER

**“for I was hungry and You gave me food;
I was thirsty and You gave me drink; I
was a stranger and You took me in.”**

Matthew 25:35

Hours M-W-F 1:30-4:00 & Th 5:30-7:00



PANTRY NEWS

Things are going smoothly at the pantry. However, there was one big problem in the building which houses the pantry along with the offices for Habitat for Humanity, and the Coalition for People in Need.

The water fountain in the main hallway had a major leak, flooding the entire hallway and conference room floor. Once the mess was cleaned up, it was apparent that part of the epoxy paint that was applied to the floor earlier this year came up with the water.

This paint job was an inexpensive experiment to begin with, and actually did not hold up well as hoped to the rubber bottoms of the chairs in the conference room. So, it has been decided that a new tile floor will be installed that will be more durable.

This will obviously be more expensive, but the plan is to have volunteer help to install the floor under the direction of Butch Thompson through Habitat for Humanity. This volunteer help will assist with the overall cost of a new floor. The water fountain will also be repaired.

In other news it is the time of year when the pantry receives extra cereal to distribute to the families receiving TANF for their children 18 years and under. This extra does

help with breakfast for these families since children are not receiving school breakfast.

THANKS

- The cities of Charleston and Mattoon held a food collection challenge with their libraries being collection centers. In June the Charleston Library donated food to the pantry and Standing Stone. Charleston is taking bragging rights as of the latest report. Thanks to our community for donating.
- Personal Finance made a generous food donation.
- Prairie State Bank Voyagers Club donated food also.
- Roc's Jam from concert by Mother Lode.
- Eclipse Studio Hair and Nails gave a donation in memory of Marcella Novarita. God's peace to her family and friends.

JUNE 2019 NUMBERS

Families – 400 Individuals – 1,375

Meals – 12,375

Donated food in pounds: USDA - 7,407

Eastern IL Foodbank – 3,500 Ruler - 855

WalMart – 6,545

FAST FACTS – SUN SAFETY

- Use a sunscreen with at least SPF 30.
- Apply 1 oz (a shot glass) of lotion all over exposed areas.
- Reapply sunscreen every 2 hours of sun exposure, and after swimming.
- Wear light colored and lightweight clothing when outside.
- Wear a hat and sun glasses.
- Drink lots of water.
- Stay inside in air conditioning!

